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SUBJECT: "PRG" STATEMENT DEMANDS US IMMEDIATE WITHDRAWAL AND END
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1. A NEW "PRG" STATEMENT, DATED APRIL 7 AND BROADCAST BY LIBERATION RADIO THE FOLLOWING DAY, DENOUNCES "WHAT THE FORD ADMINISTRATION CALLS A 'PROBLEM CONCERNING WAR REFUGEES IN SOUTH VIETNAM' AND A 'PLAN FOR EVACUATION OF US PERSONNEL'" AS "NOTHING BUT A NEW SCHEME AIMED AT INTERVENING IN SOUTH VIETNAM."

2. IN RELATIVELY SHORT REFERENCES TO THE EVACUATION OF AMERICANS, THE STATEMENT NOTED THAT THE "US-THIEU CLIQUE HAS MADE PUBLIC ITS
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READINESS TO LAND US MARINES IN SOUTH VIETNAM TO EVACUATE AND

PROTECT US PERSONNEL" AND HAS "DISPATCHED WARSHIPS, INCLUDING AIRCRAFT CARRIERS, TO SOUTH VIETNAM'S TERRITORIAL WATERS." LATER IN THE STATEMENT, THE "PRG" ASSERTS: "REGARDING THE SO-CALLED 'EVACUATION AND PROTECTION OF AMERICANS,' IT IS NECESSARY TO POINT OUT THAT THESE ARE MILITARY PERSONNEL DISGUISED AS CIVILIANS AND ILLEGALLY INTRODUCED INTO SOUTH VIETNAM; THESE ARE PERSONNEL THAT MUST BE TOTALLY AND IMMEDIATELY WITHDRAWN FROM THIS COUNTRY."

3. COMMENT: THE "PRG" HAS, SINCE OCTOBER 1974, INCLUDED "THE WITHDRAWAL FROM SVN OF ALL US MILITARY PERSONNEL DISGUISED AS CIVILIANS, AS STIPULATED BY THE PARIS AGREEMENT" IN ITS LIST OF PRECONDITIONS FOR RESUMED NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE GVN. THIS IS THE FIRST TIME, HOWEVER, THAT THE COMMUNISTS HAVE IMPLIED THAT ALL AMERICANS IN VIETNAM ARE "MILITARY ADVISERS" OR HAVE DEMANDED THAT THEY BE WITHDRAWN "TOTALLY AND IMMEDIATELY." THIS WOULD APPEAR TO BE A SIGNIFICANT ESCALATION OF THE COMMUNISTS' DEMANDS. END COMMENT.

4. MOST OF THE "PRG" STATEMENT IS DEVOTED TO US ASSISTANCE TO THE GVN IN THE RELOCATION OF REFUGEES AND THE EVACUATION OF ORPHANS. IT CLAIMS THE "US-THIEU CLIQUE" HAS "KIDNAPPED THOUSANDS OF SOUTH VIETNAMESE CHILDREN" AND SENT THEM ABROAD (AND REFERS TO THE APRIL 4 CRASH OF A C-5A TRANSPORTING ORPHANS AS "TRAGIC"). REGARDING IN-COUNTRY REFUGEES, THE STATEMENT CLAIMS THAT "BOTH PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE TRICKS AND WEAPONS" WERE USED "TO CAUSE FEAR AMONG THE PEOPLE AND FORCE THEM TO FOLLOW THEM IN THEIR FLIGHT," BUT INSISTS THAT "THE VAST MAJORITY" ARE "JOYFULLY AND ENTHUSIASTICALLY ORGANIZING A NEW LIFE" IN "LIBERATED" AREAS.

5. THE STATEMENT "RESOLUTELY DEMANDS" THAT THE US "PUT AN IMMEDIATE END TO THESE CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES." FURTHER, THE US "MUST IMMEDIATELY WITHDRAW ALL OF ITS WARSHIPS FROM THE TERRITORIAL WATERS OF SVN, END ALL OF ITS MILITARY INVOLVEMENT AND INTERFERENCE IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF SVN AND STRICTLY RESPECT AND SCRUPULOUSLY IMPLEMENT THE PARIS AGREEMENT." (THE LATTER TWO DEMANDS ARE VERBATIM FROM THE OCTOBER 1974 LIST.) THE STATEMENT PROMISES THAT "IN THE FLUSH OF UNCHECKABLE VICTORIES, THE SVN PEOPLE ARE DETERMINED TO STEP US THE STRUGGLE TO ACHIEVE AT ALL COSTS THEIR IMPERATIVE DESIRES." IT ENDS WITH AN EXPRESSION OF CONFIDENCE IN "GREATER" INTERNATIONAL "SYMPATHY AND SUPPORT" AND AN APPEAL

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THAT ITS FRIENDS "IMMEDIATELY GIVE URGENT AID . . . TO CONTRIBUTE TO QUICKLY STABILIZING THE LIVLIHOOD OF THE PEOPLE IN THE NEWLY LIBERATED AREAS."
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